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On July 9, 2003 and April 6, 2005, Applicant filed Information Disclosure Statements. Applicant has not received any initialed 1449s for this application. A copy of the IDSs, 1449s and date-stamped postcards are attached. All of the documents listed on the July 9, 2003 IDS were of record in parent application 09/819,636, from which this application claims priority. Accordingly, no copies of these references need be submitted, and it is requested that these references be considered by the Examiner.

It is requested that the Examiner return to Applicant initialed copies of the attached PTO 1449 forms so that the references will be listed on the face of the patent.

U.S. Application No.: 10/614,863

Attorney Docket No. 29284/594

Should there be any questions concerning this matter, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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In conformance with Applicants' duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and § 1.97(b)(1), the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449 are hereby brought to the Examiner's attention.

Since all of the references were either submitted by applicants or cited by the Examiner in Application No. 09/819,636, no copies of the references are required.

It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear in the "references cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

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Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the reference(s) listed on the attached PTO-1449. Unless otherwise indicated herein, one copy of each reference is attached. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the reference(s) be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom. The filing of this Information Disclosure Statement and the enclosed PTO Form No. 1449, shall not be construed as an admission that the information cited is prior art, or is considered to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(b). The paragraphs marked below are applicable. It is believed that no fees other than those indicated below are due, but authorization is hereby given to charge any additional fees due, or to credit any overpayment, to deposit account 11-0600.

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☐ 6. A concise explanation of the relevance of the non-English language reference(s) appears in the Appendix attached hereto.
7. The Examiner's attention is directed to co-pending U.S. Patent Application No, filed, which is directed to related technical subject matter. The identification of this U.S. Patent Application is not to be construed as a waiver of secrecy as to that application now of upon issuance of the present application as a patent. The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the cited application and the art cited therein during examination of the present application.
Appendix, which are directed to related technical subject matter. The identification of those U.S Patent Applications is not to be construed as a waiver of secrecy as to those applications now or upon issuance of the present application as a patent. The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the cited applications and the art cited therein during the examination.
9. The reference(s) was/were cited by or submitted to the Office in parent application No, filed, which is relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. §120. Thus, copies of these references are not attached. 37 CFR §1.98(d).
☐ 10. English-language Abstracts of the non-English language references are attached hereto. A Japanese Office Action issued on January 4, 2005, in Japanese, is also attached.
11. Since this application was filed after June 30, 2003, copies of U.S. references are not included.
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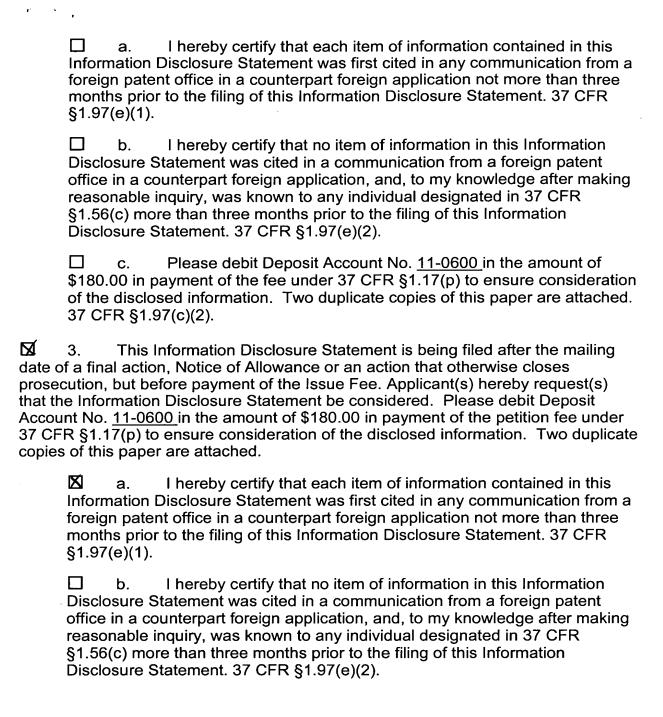
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